

Staying Overnight

CAMPING DOs & DON'Ts: These rules protect the park & you!

NOTE: Rules may vary between the Park and the National Forest. Check page 3 for details.

FOOD STORAGE REQUIRED

due to black bears. Do it correctly, year-round. See box below.

GROUP SITES & MAXIMUM GROUP SIZES

UP TO 6: Many campgrounds allow only 1 vehicle & 6 people per site. Check locally for slight variations in these limits & parking locations for extra vehicles.

7 TO 19: In summer, Crystal Springs (Grant Grove): first-come, first-served sites, groups of 7-15. Canyon View (Cedar Grove): Sites for 7-19; \$35/site.

LARGER: Call in advance for information on requesting summer group tent-camping sites: For Sunset or Canyon View call 1-559-565-4335 (5/1-10/31: 565-3792 for Canyon View). To reserve a group site in Dorst or in the national forest/monument: 1-877-444-6777 or www.recreation.gov.

PROPANE CANISTERS

Please: Do not put propane or other fuel canisters in park trash cans or leave them in the parks. Take them home for recycling.

ROADSIDE CAMPING?

Not permitted in the park. Camp only in designated sites in campgrounds. In the National Forest & Monument, roadside camping is permitted unless posted otherwise. Ask a ranger about options.

FIRE RESTRICTIONS

Check bulletin boards at each area. Gather only dead & down wood; do not cut limbs off trees.

Please don't transport firewood. It can carry insects and diseases that threaten living trees. Protect forests by finding or buying wood in the area where you will use it. If you brought wood, please burn it up rather than moving it.

Fires must be out before you leave. In the national forest & monument you must get a free campfire permit from the Hume Lake District Office, Kings Canyon Visitor Center (Grant Grove), or a Forest Service ranger.

NO HOLDING CAMPSITES

You may not hold a site for someone who has not arrived. Sites not occupied for 24 hours are considered abandoned; property may be impounded.

QUIET & GENERATOR HOURS

10pm-6am. Generator use: At Lodgepole & Dorst only 8-11am & 5-8pm; at other campgrounds 9am-9pm only. Music should be audible in your campsite only.

RVS & TRAILERS

Length limits & advisories: See *Rules of Park Roads* (page 5) and *Road Delays & Detours* (back page) for details.

Dump stations: See chart, page 11. Trailers are permitted in all but four park campgrounds; check the chart on page 11. Many sites are not suitable for trailers or RVs. Sites may not be level. Vehicles over 30 feet long can fit in a small number of sites. No hookups are available.

TIME LIMITS ON CAMPING

Camping stays: Limited to 14 days between June 14 and September 14, with 30 days total per year.

BE A VOLUNTEER HOST!

Live in and care for park campgrounds, resources, & visitors! For more about volunteer opportunities here and nationwide: www.volunteer.gov/gov.

LODGING

SEQUOIA PARK

• **Wuksachi Village** (DNCPR)
Reservations: 1-888-252-5757
Front Desk: 1-559-565-4070
www.visitsequoia.com. Open all year. North of Giant Forest Museum 6 miles (9.6 km). Lodge, restaurant, lounge, gifts.

* **Silver City Mountain Resort** *
Summer: 1-559-561-3223
Winter: 1-805-528-2730
www.silvercityresort.com. Open late May to mid-October. Cabins, chalets, supplies, restaurant, gifts, bakery, showers. No gas.

KINGS CANYON PARK

• **Grant Grove Lodge & John Muir Lodge** (KCPS)
Reservations: 1-866-522-6966
Front Desk: 1-559-335-5500
www.sequoia-kingscanyon.com. Open all year. In Grant Grove. Hotel, cabins, restaurant, showers (closed in winter), store, gifts.

• **Cedar Grove Lodge** (KCPS)
Reservations: 1-866-522-6966
Front Desk: 1-559-565-0100
www.sequoia-kingscanyon.com. Mid-May to mid-October. In the Kings Canyon. Motel, public showers, restaurant, laundry, store.

SEQUOIA NATIONAL FOREST/ MONUMENT AREA

• **Montecito Lake Resort** (formerly Montecito-Sequoia Lodge)
Reservations: 1-800-227-9900
Front Desk: 1-559-565-3388
www.mslodge.com. Open all year. On Generals Hwy 9 miles (14.5 km) south of Grant Grove. Cabins, restaurant, hotel, lodge, seasonal & children's activities.

• **Stony Creek Lodge** (KCPS)
Reservations: 1-866-522-6966
Front Desk: 1-559-565-3909.
www.sequoia-kingscanyon.com. Open early May through October 9. On Generals Highway between Grant Grove & Lodgepole. Hotel, restaurant, market, showers, gas.

• **Big Meadows Cabin** (FS)
1-877-444-6777; www.recreation.gov. Open July to mid-October. An historic guard station in the National Monument between Grant Grove & Lodgepole.

* **Kings Canyon Lodge** *
Reservations: 1-559-335-2405
Open mid-April to mid-November. On Hwy 180, 13 miles (21 km) east of Grant Grove.

* **Note:** These two facilities are on private land and cannot be evaluated, regulated, or endorsed by the National Park or National Forest.

NEIGHBORING TOWNS

Three Rivers, Lemon Cove, Squaw Valley & others offer year-round lodging, camping, & services. Ask at visitor centers or check www.nps.gov/seki, click PLAN YOUR VISIT then link to LODGING.

WILDERNESS LODGE & PERMITS See page 4 for details.

PROPER FOOD STORAGE is THE LAW!

Beats often get unattended food and even break into cars that have food in them. They become bold and sometimes aggressive in attempts to get more. *Too often these bears must be killed.*

This is why you may be fined if you do not store food properly. The following reduces, but does not eliminate, the risk of a bear break-in:

- **DRIVERS** - Never leave any food or scented item in cars.
- **CAMPERS** - Store food day and night in the metal boxes provided (see page 11 for box sizes; avoid bringing coolers that won't fit). Store ALL food, coolers, related items, and anything with an odor (even if it's not food) — including unopened cans and bottles. Latch the box completely. Food not stored properly will be impounded. Where boxes are not provided, seal food to reduce odors, cover it well, and close the windows. Keep a clean campsite. Deposit garbage immediately in bear-proof containers or store it like food. Take infant seats out of cars; the smells they absorb may attract bears.
- **PICNICKERS** - Never leave food unattended.
- **LODGE GUESTS** - Keep cabin doors closed any time you leave.
- **BACKPACKERS** - Hanging food is not effective in these parks! Store all food in a portable canister. Less than 3 pounds, it holds up to 5-day's food for one and fits in a pack. Metal boxes in a few backcountry locations offer backup storage. Rent or buy a canister at park visitor centers or markets.
- **EVERYONE** - Don't let bears approach you or your food. Wave your arms, make loud noises, and throw small rocks toward them (avoid hitting the face or head). Keep a safe distance but be persistent. Abandoning your food teaches bears that approaching humans is acceptable, but if a bear does get food, never try to take it back.



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